

CITY OF HAYWARD AGENDA REPORT

10/19/04 AGENDA DATE AGENDA ITEM **WORK SESSION ITEM**

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

City Manager

SUBJECT: La Vista Quarry

This item appears on the agenda at the request of Councilmember Kevin Dowling.

At its meeting of October 12, while the Council was discussing the City's comments regarding the Draft EIR pertaining to the La Vista Quarry, Councilmember Dowling proposed that a letter be submitted to the County requesting that it defer action on the permit extension pending the outcome of the annexation application for the Mission-Garin area. Because this request was not specifically listed on the agenda, the Council was not able to take action. Subsequently, it was determined this issue would appear on the October 19 agenda.

Councilmember Dowling has drafted a proposed letter and it is attached for your consideration.

Jesús Armas

City Manager

Attachment

October 19, 2004

Supervisor Gail Steele President, Alameda County Board of Supervisors 1221 Oak Street, Suite 536 Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Steele:

Alameda County has received a permit to extend the La Vista Quarry for 20 more years. The City of Hayward filed an annexation application to LAFCO in November 2003 to annex the quarry and a small number of residents who live nearby.

The City of Hayward requests that Alameda County allow LAFCO to decide on the annexation before the permit request is heard by the Board of Supervisors.

When the quarry was opened in the 1940's, this area near Tennsyon Road and Industrial Parkway contained many unincorporated areas controlled by the County. Besides land controlled by the East Bay Regional Park District, this quarry land is the last land controlled by the County in South Hayward. The potential impact of a working quarry must be seriously analyzed and the public must be given ample time to learn about the issues and proved input before any permit is granted.

The City has done extensive planning in the Mission-Garin area, which includes several former quarries and the La Vista Quarry. We have extended our redevelopment area to include all of Mission Blvd. from downtown to the Union City border. The City is scheduled to start a South Hayward BART station plan this year to plan for former 238 bypass land now controlled by Caltrans. The area has changed from a rural community to a growing transit oriented community.

We ask the County to allow the Hayward City Council to exercise local control over an area that will affect thousands of City residents and businesses for two decades.

Sincerely,

Roberta Cooper Mayor, City of Hayward

Cc: Each member, Board of Supervisors